

Some Information In Regard to Pensions

The following letter from the state executive department to the chairman of the pension board of this county is self-explanatory:

Columbia, Oct. 15, 1914.
Chairman of County Pension Board,
Pickens County:

Dear Sir:—The following concurrent resolutions were passed at the January session of 1914 of the legislature, to which I beg to call your attention:

Resolved, That the county board of pensions of the various counties of this state be and they are hereby required to compile and file with the comptroller general a bona fide list of all Confederate soldiers and widows now living in their respective counties, irrespective of whether or not they are receiving pensions.

Resolved, further, That said board of pensions be and they are hereby required to revise this list as aforesaid, and to render their services herein provided for, without further compensation. Yours very truly,

A. W. JONES,
Comptroller General

To all Confederate soldiers and widows of Confederate soldiers of Pickens County, S. C.:

When our legislature was in session last winter there were several bills introduced to pension all bona fide Confederate soldiers and widows, and a question arose in regard to the number there was in this state, and the above resolutions were adopted by the senate and house, then in session, for the comptroller general to have the pension boards of each county of the state to ascertain this information.

The pension board of Pickens county has appointed two old Confederate soldiers in each township to help get up this information. Let all who are interested take an interest and help those who are appointed in your townships do the work and they will report the names to the chairman of the pension board at Pickens. The names for each township are as follows:

Pickens Township—W. B. Atwood and James A. Griffin.

Central—B. J. Johnson and E. B. Stephens.

Easley—Elias Day and B. C. Johnson.

Liberty—William Gantt and Thomas Taylor.

Dacusville—S. T. Prior and D. W. Blasingame.

Pumpkintown—Matthew Hendricks and J. M. D. Keith.

Eastatoe—J. W. Thomas and Daniel Winchester.

Hurricane—C. B. Finley and James Garrett.

By the County Board of Pickens County.

Charges of habitual drunkenness have been made in Greenville county against the coroner, R. L. Black. He was a student at Furman when making his campaign.

General Election Mild Affair in S. C.

Tuesday's national election was carried, speaking generally, by the party in power, though by greatly reduced majorities. The Democrats will continue to have a majority in both houses of congress, but the majority in the house will be 23 instead of 108. This is not an unmixed evil; in fact it is no evil at all, for a large majority is not so desirable as a narrow one, which keeps the party in power on guard and on its good behavior, a small margin of power being a constant reminder to them of the responsibility to the people. The Democratic majority in the senate will be 14.

The election on Tuesday was the first time the United States senators have been voted for directly by the people, the plan heretofore being to elect them by the state legislature. There was a very light vote throughout the state in the general election last Tuesday. Very little interest was manifested for the different nominees for state offices had practically no opposition. The bond issue bill was in such a tangle that it was not known whether it would be voted on until the morning of election. The governor refused to approve the bill and it failed to get the necessary two thirds majority of the votes cast.

Cedar Rock News

Mrs. Bettie F. Robinson, of Greenville, spent the week-end as guest of her daughter, Mrs. John W. Stewart.

Mr. Joel H. Miller and wife were recent visitors at Mr. B. H. Whitmore's in the Cross Roads section.

Mr. Lonnie Burdine and sister, Mrs. Grace Lancaster, of the Brushy Creek section, were the week-end visitors of Mr. Joel H. Miller and family.

Miss Rula Hendrix left Monday to take up her work as teacher in Welcome school in Greenville county.

Mr. Robt. Stewart and daughter, Miss Essie of near Pickens, were the guests of Mr. John W. Stewart and wife Sunday.

Mr. Dave Porter and family had as their guests Sunday Mr. Baker and wife of the Concord section.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Williams, went to Clemson College in their car last Sunday to see their son, Mr. Osborne, who is in college there this term.

Mr. A. White Singleton and family were the guests of Mr. John W. Stewart and wife Sunday.

Rev. R. S. Saunders, of Mt. Airy, Ga., filled his regular appointment at Cedar Rock Sunday.

Mr. Joe Barnett and wife were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Barnard, recently.

Mr. Harvey Harper, of the Concord section, attended church at Cedar Rock Sunday.

Local and Personal

Messrs. Sam and Ed Bowen of Easley were in town Monday.

Mr. C. G. Rowland of Central was in town on business Tuesday.

Born, unto Mr. and Mrs. Lee Chastain, on the 6th inst., a fine girl.

Born, unto Mr. and Mrs. Pharoah Cauley, on the 9th inst., a son.

Hon. E. P. McCravy of Easley was in the city on business this week.

Messrs. Lawrence Latham and Guy Curtis of Greenville spent Tuesday in Pickens.

It is said a regiment of German infantry is planning to lay siege on The French Hat Shop.

Miss Nora Smith and Miss Mattie Finley, of Easley, spent Sunday with friends in Pickens.

Guy Bowie and Will Boggs, well known citizens of the upper section of the county, were in town on business a few days ago.

Mr. J. L. Murphree, a good citizen of the Mile Creek section, has been quite sick for several days. His many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

The union meeting of the Twelve Mile River association will meet with Kings Grove Baptist church November 28th and 29th. The program will be published next week.

During the last two weeks cotton has gone up a half cent on a pound, from 8 3/4 to 7 1/4 cents. Some cotton is being sold on the local market and prospects are brighter for better business.

The Pickens train was delayed on its second trip Tuesday on account of a slight accident at Parsons station. As the train was going down a boxcar between the engine and coach left the track. The passengers were transferred to the engine and made the trip to Easley. No one was injured.

Last Thursday afternoon Mrs. Ernest Folger delightedly entertained the G. F. C. club. Mrs. R. G. Rowland of Greenville and Miss Elizabeth DuBose were the honored guests. During the afternoon a game of heart dice was enjoyed, in which Mrs. Rowland won first prize. Miss Frances Bruce served punch. Miss Lorena Taylor assisted Mrs. Folger in serving a delicious salad course.

A Bushel of Money

A bushel and a half of money was collected by the Red Cross for the benefit of European war sufferers between the halves of the Harvard-Princeton football game Saturday. The count showed a total of \$3,883, including one \$20 bill and 2,350 pennies.

Coming This Way

The crusade against the illicit sale of whiskey continues over the state. This is one of the encouraging signs of the times. There is no place in South Carolina for the blind tiger. He should be driven from the state.—Spartanburg Journal.

Latest war news is that the Germans have renewed their offensive in the vicinity of Ypres and Dixmude, where several attempts were made to break through the Allied lines to the coast of France, but were driven back after the most severe fighting of the war. That is the Allies' story. Berlin has not reported.



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WEEKS TO CHRISTMAS
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LIFE UNDER MILITARISM--THE SPY SYSTEM



Tokio.—It is officially announced that the German fortress of Tsing-Tau has surrendered to the Japanese and British forces.

It is officially announced that the first step in bringing about the surrender of the fortress occurred at midnight, when the infantry charged and occupied the middle fort of the line of defense. In this operation they took 200 prisoners.

The fall of Tsing-Tau ends the most picturesque of the minor phases of the great world-war now raging.

On two continents and in many islands of the seas, where colonies of the warring nations were planted, combats of more or less interest have taken place, garrisons have been captured and towns occupied peacefully, but in the little German concession on the south side of the Shantung peninsula of China, there has been going on since late in August a real and deadly scale of war that from all accounts has duplicated nearly all features of those battles in Europe that have resulted in the capture of fortified positions.

The capture of Tsing-Tau loses to Germany her last fort of possessions on the Asiatic mainland, as well as her last strategic position outside of the German empire in Europe. For nearly three months the little German garrison of about 7,000 men, and nearly 10,000 Chinese coolies, have been held out against the land and sea attacks of the Japanese, of certain British detachments of both white and Indian troops that found themselves in China at the outbreak of the war. What the losses of the garrison have been are not known, but the official Japanese and British reports have indicated that Tsing-Tau has been taken at heavy cost of men on the part of the allies.

It was on August 15 that Japan threw herself into the European war as Great Britain's ally, after demanding that Germany withdraw or intern all German warships in Asiatic waters and relinquish possession of Kiaochow. In the statement from Tokio that accompanied this declaration, Japan asserted that her intentions did not contemplate the retention of one foot of ground on Chinese territory, and later affirmed that she did not intend to extend her holdings in the Pacific.

Denounces Charity For Europe
Los Angeles.—While efforts were being made to raise funds here to succor Belgian war victims, Dr. Milbank Johnson, president of the Municipal Charities commission, published a statement declaring that relief sent to Europe meant prolongation of the strife and suggesting that charity should begin at home. "Scientific methods of war," said Doctor Johnson, "as exemplified in Europe, have brought combatants to realization of the potency of suffering women and children in compelling the conquered to sue for peace. If Europe is determined on a war of extermination, relief efforts may only prolong hostilities. War in Europe has thrown thousands in this country out of work. The consequent suffering and privation are appalling. Charity should begin at home. It occurred to many who eagerly hearken to Europe's cry that they have not contributed to the relief of our own unfortunate."

Servia At War With Turkey
London.—A Constantinople dispatch states that Servia severed diplomatic relations with Turkey and the Servian ambassador asked for his passports, says the Rome correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph company.

German Cargoes Are Affected
London.—The closing of the North sea to all shipping except that which places itself under the protection of the British fleet is recognized as the first stroke of Admiral Baron Fisher, the new first sea lord of the admiralty and as one of the most important events of the war. All cargoes destined for German or Austrian consumption must run the gauntlet of British inspection in the English channel, the strait of Gibraltar or the Suez canal.

Czar Receives U. S. Ambassador
Petrograd.—George T. Mayne, Jr., of San Francisco, the newly-appointed American ambassador to Russia, presented his credentials to Emperor Nicholas and formally assumed charge of the embassy.

Prince Of Battenberg Killed
London.—Princess Henry of Battenberg has been informed by the headquarters at the front that her son, Prince Maurice of Battenberg, whose name appeared in a recent list of killed, met death leading his company.

Mr. W. H. Lark, of route 5, had the misfortune to severely cut his foot one day last week while cutting wood. Dr. L. F. Robinson was called and dressed the wound and Mr. Lark is now getting along nicely.

S. H. Maddox, a good citizen of Central Route 3, was here on

GERMANS DEFENSIVE BOTH EAST AND WEST

RUSSIANS GAIN ADVANTAGE IN GALICIA AND ARE PRESSING IT--TEUTONS RETREAT.

ARGONNE REGION IN DOUBT

Germans Claim Success in Only One Point--French Retake Positions They Had Lost.

London.—The German and Austrian armies are now on the defensive on the east and west. They have given up, at least for the present, their effort to break through the Allied lines around Ypres, in Belgium, where the British and French have taken the offensive, and according to the reports from French headquarters, have commenced to advance. In the east they have fallen back over their own frontiers in East Prussia and in Poland, while Russian cavalry had penetrated Silesia to the north of Kalisz and cut the German railway.

The Russians also are following up their advantage in Galicia, and it is said, have cut the retreating Austrians off from Cracow, while the Germans are retreating through Poland.

At only one point at two battle fronts do the Germans claim success. That is at the west of Argonne region, where they have taken from the French an important height near Vienne-le-Chateau.

French troops have retaken the positions which they had lost during the course of the week. That is notably so in the Aisne Valley around Soissons, where they have regained the ground which the Germans by fierce assaults have taken from them.

The Belgians, holding the line reaching to the coast also have made progress. The fighting was carried on in a fog, which interfered with the work of the airmen and likewise with the artillery.

While the Allies' offensive in the west has given hope in London that the Germans will fall back to a line further removed from the sea, all uneasiness has not passed, for they previously have shown wonderful recuperative powers. The presence of the Russians in East Prussia and Silesia, however, will, it is believed, prevent the Germans from sending any more troops to the west, if it does not compel them to withdraw some already at that front.

The Austrians apparently have sent stronger force against Servia and have driven the Serbs out of Slavonia. Of what is going on in Bosnia, which the Servians and Montenegrins invaded almost to the capital, Sarajevo, nothing has been disclosed for weeks, but operations against their northern border might have had an effect on the Servians plans there. The German government has occurred in the Near East, but Turkey is being attacked in isolated spots by the Russians and British. The Turks also are apparently coming very close to war with Greece, the situation having been aggravated by the sinking of a Greek steamer by the Turks and the threatening of Greek Asia-Minor. Neither Bulgaria nor Roumania has yet made any move.

The Union Defense forces continue to round up the rebels in South Africa. Those in the northern part of the province which have been worried to the government have been completely routed, while those in Transvaal, where another 400 have been captured, are scattering.

In Orange Free State, however, several small commandos have been looting towns and damaging railways.

Made Vigorous Attack

Paris.—A Havas dispatch from Nish, Servia, says: "The enemy made a vigorous attack November 4, southeast and south of Shabats, but by a counter attack we put the Austrians to flight. They left 500 dead and 200 wounded. During the same night and again on November 6 the Austrians attacked our positions at Borcas and Goutchevo, but were repulsed with heavy casualties."

Big Russian Victory

London.—The Rome correspondent of the Weekly Dispatch says: "According to the Russian embassy the Russians took 30,000 Austrian prisoners, 200 guns, six trainloads of supplies and 40,000 rifles in a victory on the San in Galicia. The Russians attack on Przemyel has been renewed violently. On the East Prussian front thousands of bodies of Germans have been burned because the frozen ground prevents burial. As no armistice is granted for the removal of the wounded many die of cold."

Out After Japanese

Amsterdam, via London.—The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger commenting on the fall of Tsing-Tau says: "Germans will never forget the heroic fighting at Kiaochow and those who defended the colony. Never shall we forget the brutal violence of the yellow robbers nor England who instigated our account with Japan at present. Our mills will grind slowly, but even if years should pass before the right moment comes, a shout of joy will respond 'come to you, Nippon!'"

There are two wide awake prayer meetings in town every week. Services are held every Wednesday at the Baptist church and Thursday night at the Methodist church at 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. C. B. P.

Brothers Seriously Injured Saturday

While working with a corn shreader last Saturday afternoon, Richard Latham of the Mt. Carmel section had the misfortune to get his arm caught in the machine, which resulted in such injury that the arm had to be taken off. It happened that at the time of the accident his brother, B. D. Latham, who knew the mechanical parts of the shreader, was in Greenville. He and Dr. Black were phoned for. In the meantime Richard, with his arm entangled in the machine gave directions to some on-lookers while they took the machine apart. They succeeded in getting the arm loose in about an hour, and when Dr. Black arrived it was amputated just above the elbow.

B. D. Latham, while en route from Greenville, was thrown from the motorcycle on which he was riding and received a broken leg. He was taken to his home Sunday morning. The old adage can be applied in this case that "when it rains it pours." The young men are sons of Mr. J. K. Latham. It was reported Sunday that they were resting as well as could be expected considering their injuries.

Lenhardt News

Furnham Looper has accepted a position with Keith & Hendricks, general merchants near Greenville, as salesman, where his many Pickens friends will find him.

Mr. Benton Robinson has purchased Mr. Furman Looper's farm and will move from Greenville, where he has lived for the past four years, and try his luck on the farm again.

Married, Sunday, Nov. 1, by Leonard Williams, N. P., at his home Seaborn Griffin and Miss May Holcombe, both of the Lenhardt section. Much pleasure and joy is the wish of their many friends.

There has been the largest crop of oats planted in this section that has ever been known. Wheat sowing will begin this week, and if we can have favorable weather there will be a good crop planted. Seems like old King Cotton will have a back seat next year.

The hustling Sunday school at Lenhardt school has invited Professor Crain to be with them next Sunday evening, Nov. 15, to make an address on the orphanage. Everybody is invited to attend and bring their purses and help contribute a nice sum to send to the orphans to make them a happy Thanksgiving gift. We will have some good singers present and try to make everyone enjoy a pleasant evening. Lost Boy.

Singing Convention

The Liberty Township Singing convention will meet with Rice's Creek church the third Sunday in November. Everybody is invited to come and bring songbooks and well-filled baskets. All leaders are especially invited to come and let us have a good time together. C. E. ROGERS, Secy.

Interesting Items From Pickens Mill

Mr. and Mrs. Will Beasley and daughter visited Mr. Clive Davis Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Pace, who has been very ill with typhoid fever, is improving rapidly.

The Ladies' Aid Society gave an interesting entertainment Saturday night at the school house. Refreshments were served and everybody who was present enjoyed themselves.

Prayer-meeting every Sunday night, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Let everybody attend.

Mrs. Rufus Galloway is very ill with pneumonia.

Several from the village attended the singing in Easley Saturday afternoon, given by Mansell Chapman, and report an enjoyable time.

Lois, the little daughter of Mrs. L. E. Hughes, is very sick. Choir practice every Saturday except preaching nights. Let everybody in the surrounding community who are interested in song service come and lend your voice in singing God's praises.

Fred Powell has moved his stock of goods from the west end of town to the H. M. Galloway stand at the village. The Tabor singing class came over Sunday morning and rendered some fine music at the village church, which was greatly enjoyed by all. There was a good crowd present, considering the inclement weather.

Mrs. Lizzie Strickland is very ill at this time. Among the social events was a pound supper given by Mr. J. E. Ellison Saturday night. A good crowd of the younger set was present and they had a nice time.

Miss Virginia Ligon, teacher of the village school, is training the children for a Christmas exercise in the near future.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bagwell is very sick with pneumonia.

Mitchell Cassell of North Carolina was a visitor at the home of Mr. Seaborn Bagwell recently.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Ligon is ill with pneumonia at this writing.

Mr. R. D. McKinney is now superintendent of the Sunday school at this place.

MOUNTAIN SPROUT.

Tabor News

Miss Ella Childs was a visitor at Tabor recently.

We regret to learn that Mrs. Joe Pace is very ill with typhoid fever.

Miss Lee Sinclair visited Miss Jessie McCollum one day last week.

Mrs. John Duckworth was the guest of Mr. Dean Singleton recently.

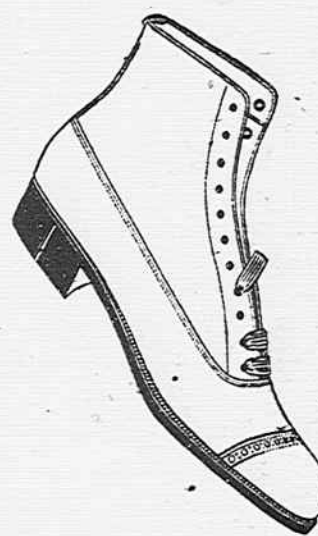
Elmer Hendrix of Greenville spent the afternoon of the first Sunday in this neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Dorr visited the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Childs, last week.

We are glad to state that Mrs. S. S. Childs, who has been confined to her bed for some time with fever, is well again.

The prayer meeting at Tabor hasn't died out yet. The good people met and had a real good prayer meeting there last Saturday night. OLD SOAP GOURD.

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